GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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OUTSTANDING DUES WITH STATE ELECTRICITY BOARDS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the outstanding dues of Railways against each State Electricity Boards as on March 31, 2009 for transportation of coal ; and

(b) the steps taken by the Railways to liquidate the outstanding amount?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K.H.MUNIYAPPA)

(a) A statement is attached.

(b) Freight accrual and realization is a continuous process. Special drive for clearance of outstanding dues by forming teams of Accounts and Commercial officials are launched from time to time. Close monitoring of recovery of outstanding dues from State Electricity Board (SEBs) is being done by holding regular meeting with the representatives of State Electricity Boards/Power Houses and periodical meetings with Secretaries of the concerned Ministries and Chief Secretaries of the States. Power Houses are also being encouraged to follow the scheme for pre-payment of freight for carriage of coal. Facility of Electronic Payment, already in vogue on some of the State Electricity Boards, is also being extended. As a result, the total outstanding amount due against Power Houses/ State Electricity Boards has come down to Rs. 707.71 crore as on 31.3.09 as compared to Rs. 767.06 crore to end of 31.3.08.